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RESUBMISSION OF AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 26, 2005, the time for response extending to July 26, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the existing rejection in view of Applicants' amendments and remarks below.

Applicants are resubmitting this Amendment and Response to Office Action in light of the Office's communication that the previously filed Response contained a clerical error in the serial number, listed on the front page of the previously-filed Response.

Enclosed, therefore, with this resubmission, please find a copy of the original Amendment and Response to Office Action with the Express Mail deposit stating that the Response was filed in a timely manner, including a copy of the dated receipt from the Post Office, as well as a copy of the returned post card showing the date the original submission was received by the United states Patent and Trademark Office. A copy of the formal replacement drawings and the Letter to the Official Draftsman is included with this resubmission as well.